

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 31824 OK TO ENTER: /T.N./  
Kiminobu HIRATA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 2809 07/30/2009  
Application No.: 10/572,573 : Group Art Unit: 3748  
Filed: November 07, 2006 : Examiner: Tu Minh Nguyen  
For: ENGINE EXHAUST EMISSION  
PURIFICATION APPARATUS :  
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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated April 14, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.